MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: இந்தத் தண்ணீரை irrigption க்காக உபயோகிக்க ஏதாவது investigation நடத்தப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: Sir, we have not conducted any investigation. But it is certainly possible to use that water for irrigation. But there is no use of attempting any scheme at this stage because we are not able to get meterials for the scheme.

Country boats.

400 ❋ **MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR** (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is an order prohibiting country boats of more than 3 ft. 4 in. below water surface depth from plying the canals between Quilon and Trivandrum;

(*b*) the reasons for such an order;

(*c*) whether anybody has recently been exempted from the order; and

(*d*) if so, the considerations that prompted the authorities to give such an exemption?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) There is no such order, but there is a rule laying down the limiting dimensions of vessels that may be allowed to ply in the canal south of Quilon.

(*b*) The shallowness of the canal.

(*c*) No exemption has been made; but special licenses, authorised under another rule have been granted for a limited period.

(*d*) The urgent necessity for transporting materials required for war purposes.

Dispensaries in Muvattupuzha taluk.

401 ❋**MR. THARIATH KUNJITHOMMEN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement specifying the number of patients to whom medicines were supplied from last Chingom to 15th Mithunam 1117 at the dispensaries at Kothamangalam, Kuthattukulam and Piravom in Muvattupuzha taluk and the number of malaria patients among them?

DR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI (*Surgeon-General*): The statement containing the information is given below:

Name of place.	Total number of patients to whom medicines were supplied.	Malaria cases.
Kothamangalam	73932	18448
Kuthattukulam	11074	468
Piravom	10609	81

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: May I know whether the quantity of quinine supplied is in excess or is normal?

DR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: The quantity supplied is not the same in all institutions. It is supplied according to the requirements of the respective institutions.

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